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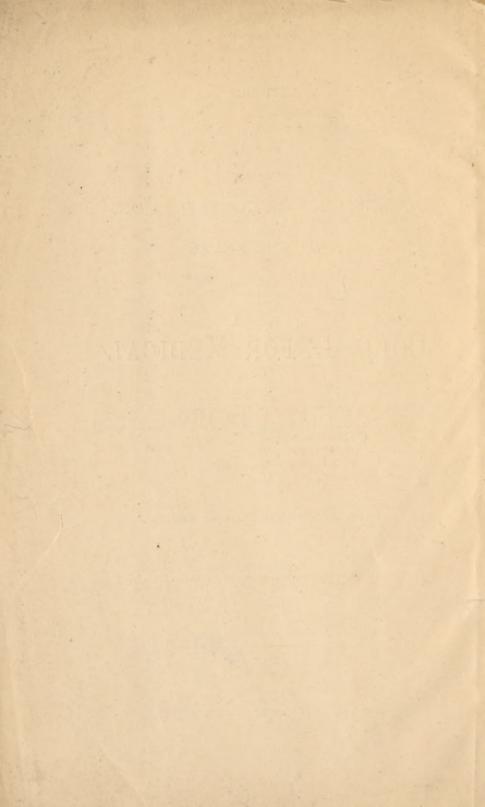
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In the Circuit Court the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, April Term 1882.

Tuesday, April, 11th. 1882.

In the matter of "The College for Medical Practitioners" of St. Louis, Missouri.

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And now on this day come Thomas F. Rumbold as Dean, Edward Borck as Secretary and Frederick T.Ledergerber as Treasurer of The College form Medical Practitioners of Saint Louis Missouri and submit to the Court the Articles of Agreement of said Association together with a petition praying for a proforma decree thereon, in manner provided by law, and it appearing to the Court that such petition has remained on file in the clerk's office of this Court for at least three days since the same was first presented to the Court, and the Court having duly examined said Articles of Agreement and being duly advised in the premises, doth now consider, adjudge and determine that such Articles of Agreement and the purposes of the Association as herein expressed come properly within the purview of Article X of Chapter 21 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri 1879, entitled "Benevolent, Religious, Scientific, Educational, and Miscellaneous Associations", and are not inconsistent with the Constitution or Laws of the United States or of the State of Missouri.

ARTICLES

OF

AGREEMENT OR CONSTITUTION,

OF THE

COLLEGE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS,

OF SAINT LOUIS, IN THE STATE OF MISSOURI.

ARTICLE I .- Objects.

'The objects and purposes of this Association shall be:

The establishment of a College at which Medical Practitioners may review their Collegial Courses, and receive instruction in current advances in the several branches of practical Medicine and Surgery, and the specialties connected therewith, and the organization and conduct of Clinics for the treatment of indigent persons, and of Hospitals, Libraries, Dissecting Rooms and Laboratories, and the establishment and conduct of Hospitals, Clinics, etc., for Railroads and also the promotion of Medical and Scientific Research.

ARTICLE II .- Name and Incorporation.

The Association shall be known as, and called "THE COLLEGE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS," of St. Louis, Missouri, and be incorpor-

ated under that name and style for the period of ninety-nine years, under Article X., of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri, of 1879, concerning Benevolent, Religious, Scientific, Educational and Miscellaneous Associations.

ARTICLE III.—Memberships and Officers.

The members shall be faculty members and associate members. Its officers shall consist of a Dean, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall also act as trustees, holding and conveying its property under authority of the faculty, generally perform the duties pertaining to their respective offices, and to be successively elected by ballot, at the annual meeting on the first Wednesday in July of each year, for three years as follows: The present Treasurer to hold office until the first Wednesday in July, 1883, when his successor is to be elected for three years; the present Secretary to hold office until the first Wednesday in July, 1884, when his successor is to be elected for three years; the present Dean to hold office until the first Wednesday in July, 1885, when his successor is to be elected for three years, and so on, and to hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified.

There shall be a Board of Honorary Members, having no vote, to consist of distinguished persons, whose status and rights may be defined by Rules.

ARTICLE IV .- Professors and Diplomas.

The titles and duties of the Professors, Lecturers and Adjuncts shall be defined by the faculty, who shall appoint them. Diplomas of Associate Memberships or Certificates may be granted upon condition, Diplomas to the qualified graduates or attendants, Certificates of attendance in Special branches, and persons receiving Diplomas shall be associate members of the Association as defined in the Rules.

ARTICLE V .- Vacancies.

Vacancies may be filled by three-fourths vote of the faculty, entered upon its minutes.

ARTICLE VI .- Property and Professorships.

The Association may buy and hold, sell and convey, all property necessary for its object, in trust therefore, may receive gifts, donations or special trusts, applicable to its objects. No member can acquire a right to any of the property of the institution. Professorships may be named in honor of, and after persons donating sufficient sums to establish or maintain the same.

So long as three members of the faculty remain, this Association shall not dissolve nor transfer its property or effects, but if there be at any time less than three members, or no re-incorporation at the end of its term, then, in such an event, the property shall go, and belong to a similar organization; and this Article shall never be changed.

ARTICLE VII.—Rules and Amendments.

Rules to fully carry out these Articles of Agreement and the Objects of the Association, in consonance with the Laws and the Constitution of the United States, and of this State, shall be agreed upon at the first meeting after incorporation, when so made, not be altered or amended, except only at an annual meeting of three-fourths the members voting therefore, nor then, unless three months notice, signed by two faculty members, of the full amendment or amendments, voted on, shall have been submitted to the officers and each faculty member, and have been passed on at each intermediate meeting of the faculty; and no rule can be suspended.

Every amendment to these Articles of Agreement must be submitted in writing, signed by three faculty members, two weeks before an annual meeting to every member, receive at such annual meeting its approval by two-thirds vote of all faculty members, and if it be passed also at the next annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of all the faculty members, entered on record, it may be filed in the Circuit Court, recorded with the Recorder of Deeds, of the City of St. Louis, and filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and when a certified copy is received from him, the same shall take effect and not otherwise; and provided also, that no amendment can be amended at the second annual meeting, nor shall this Article apply to Article VI.

ARTICLE VIII .- Miscellaneous.

Every member must sign these organic Laws and the Rules of the Association, and may be suspended or expelled for cause.

ARTICLE IX .- Colleges and Meetings.

The Association may establish Branch Medical Colleges, may call and maintain Meetings or Lectures for the promotion of Science, or the Public Health, send delegate representatives to assemblages of scientific or public spirited men, provided such Delegates incur no pecuniary obligations on the part of, nor on behalf of the Association, directly or indirectly.

Signed March 21, 1882.

THOS. F. RUMBOLD,
EDW. BORCK,
FRED. T. LEDERGERBER, Esq.
W. HUTSON FORD,
WILLIAM DICKINSON,
W. B. OUTTEN.

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COLLEGE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

ARTICLE I.

DUTIES OF THE DEAN.

SECTION 1.—The Dean shall preside at all the meetings; shall sign or approve papers when ordered by the faculty; shall be the representative of the association, and shall be the custodian of the seal.

DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

Section 2.—The Secretary shall audit all claims for and against the Association; shall keep a correct record of the minutes of all the meetings of the association; shall keep a list of the property; and in connection with the Dean shall attend to its correspondence and shall safely keep all its papers.

DUTIES OF THE TREASURER.

Section 3.—The Treasurer shall, upon order of the association, pay all claims against the same; shall keep correct books of accounts; shall file a bond, in a sum to be determined at the first meeting of the faculty in each year, of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) for that year; shall have charge of all the funds; shall collect, or cause to be collected all moneys or property due the association and shall have charge of the papers relating thereto.

ARTICLE II

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

Section 1.—All officers of the association must make written annual reports to the association, which must be disposed of according to the Articles of Agreement.

Section 2.—All professors, lecturers or adjuncts, who may have charge of, or superintendence of clinics or hospitals, shall keep a strict record of all patients treated in their respective departments, stating their age, nationality, residence, diagnosis, operations, and treatment thereof.

ARTICLE III.

PROPERTY.

Section 1.—The association may acquire property by purchase, donations, devices, legacies, grants, or by loans for stated periods, of all and every species, useful or essential to its objects, by whatever name or term the same may be given, and loans shall be specially so entered upon its books.

SECTION 2.—Any person or persons, so donating any sum or article, shall have the right to define, their wishes for what purpose, or to what special department of the College it shall be appropriated, if not so defined the same shall belong to the general fund.

Section 3.—All moneys received at any of the clinics, as voluntarily contributed by its patients, shall go to the association.

Section 4.—All evidences of assets or dues, donations or contributions conveyed to the association, when made under the direction of the association, shall be made payable or deliverable to the Dean, for the use of the Association.

ARTICLE IV.

FACULTY MEMBERS, LECTURERS, ADJUNCTS AND ASSISTANTS, ETC.

Section 1.—The faculty members shall consist of Professors, and shall be composed of not more than twelve, and shall be elected as hereafter defined.

Section 2.—The College may also have Lecturers, Adjuncts, and Assistants.

- a. Regular Lecturers, shall be elected as hereafter defined.
- b. Adjuncts may be appointed by the Faculty.
- c. Professors may appoint their own clinical assistants and nurses.
- d. Janitors and all other domestics for the College shall be appointed by the Dean and be under his control.

SECTION 3.—Lecturers and Adjuncts shall not be entitled to any regular compensation. This, however, shall not apply to special Lecturers, or Lecturerships created by special endowments.

ARTICLE V.

ESTABLISHMENT OF HOSPITALS, LIBRARIES, ETC., AND DESIGNATION OF POSITIONS AND TITLES.

SECTION 1.—The Faculty may establish and conduct hospitals, libraries, lecture rooms, laboratories, operating and dissecting rooms, dispensaries and hospitals for railroads and clinics for indigent persons. Which, under the regulation of the Faculty, shall be in charge of and conducted by the person appointed.

SECTION 2.—The Faculty shall designate the position and title of all officers not mentioned in the Articles of Agreement and define their duties at the first meeting after the annual meeting of each year, provided that temporary arrangements may be now made before said meeting, or in case of vacancies or emergencies afterward until the said annual meeting or meetings.

Section 3.—Should any person or persons or body corporate offer sufficient inducements to the College, to further its objects, the Faculty may agree for itself, its Lecturers or Adjuncts, to render to it or them their professional services free or partly free of cost, as the case may demand, or require.

ARTICLE VI.

ELECTION OF FACULTY MEMBERS.

Section 1 .- A candidate for Faculty Membership, if a va-

cancy exist, shall be suggested verbally at a regular meeting, without any entry upon the minutes of said fact or of his name, and if two members object to his being nominated at that or the next meeting, the following entry shall be made: "Two members (not naming them) having objected to the nomination (not naming the person) no nomination was made" but if no such objection is made, and a majority of the Faculty in writing nominates a person, and the nomination is considered favorably at one meeting, and if at the next regular meeting, three-fourths of all the members by a viva roce vote, vote for such person, the person shall be a Faculty Member.

Section 2.—When a Faculty Member is once elected a Professor to any given chair or field, he must accept the same within one month after appointment, in writing. He then shall hold and continue in the Professorship of such chair or field, unless retired to honorary membership by a three-fourth vote of the whole Faculty or be changed at his own request to another field or be expelled for cause.

Section 3.—Lecturers, or Lecturers with the title of Professors may be elected by a majority vote of the Faculty, one week after nomination, and shall hold their position for one year.

ARTICLE VII.

ELECTION OF HONORARY AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

Section 1.—Members of the Board of Honorary Members, must be proposed by at least three professors, stating minutely their age, residence, and the reason why they should be made Honorary Members, and must be favorably passed upon, at not less than two meetings of the Faculty and subsequently be elected by a five-sixth vote of the Faculty, entered on the minute pro and con., provided that on an extraordinary occasion, when a distinguished person shall be proposed by all the Members of the Faculty present in the city and not disabled, a special meeting shall be held, when by a unanimous vote, such person shall be made one of the board of Honorary Members.

SECTION 2. At the annual meeting the Members of the Board of Honorary Members shall have a seat and voice, but no vote, but they may at such time, at a meeting of which the Dean shall preside and the Secretary keep the minutes, select three

from their own members, who when so elected shall have the privileges of attending the regular meeting of the Faculty with voice and seat but no vote.

Section 3.—Associate Members may be made under the following condition, viz:

1st. They must have attended the full course of lectures, of fourteen weeks, and clinics of all the departments of this College.

2nd. Must be a graduate of some recognized and reputable-Medical School.

3rd. Must apply in their own handwriting for examination.

4th. Must have passed a satisfactory examination in all the branches taught in this College.

To those who have so qualified and complied with all the above requirements, a Diploma of Associate Membership shall be granted upon the payment of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). The Treasurer shall then give a receipt for their annual dues for five years. They shall then have the privilege of attending the regular annual meeting of the Faculty with seat and voice but no vote. They shall be entitled to life membership, and to have the right to attend the lectures and clinics, at any time, free of charge, as long as as they pay their dues, which is five dollars \$5.00 annually, after the first five years. Material used by them in dissecting, extra.

Section 4.—To those Practitioners who shall have attended one or more separate branches, delivered in this Institution Certificates of Attendance of the same without examination, may be given.

Section 5.—Persons who are not graduates of any Medical College may attend the lectures in this College, and shall receive Certificate of Attendance, if so desired.

ARTICLE VIII.

QUORUM, MINUTES AND SPECIAL MEETINGS.

SECTION. 1.—At a regular meeting of the Faculty, five shall constitute a quorum, provided that if at any time there are less than six Faculty Members, three shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2.—At special meetings only the special object for which the meeting is called, can be considered.

SECTION 3.—Minutes of the Faculty meeting can not be approved at a special meeting.

SECTION 4.—The Dean may call special meetings.

ARTICLE IX.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of business at all regular meetings shall be:

- 1. Roll call.
- 2. Reading of minutes.
- 3. Reports of regular committees and officers.
- 4. Reports of special committees.
- 5. Unfinished business.
- 6. Extraordinary business.
- 7. New Business.
- 8. Elections of officers and members.
- 9. Passing on claims.
- 10. Reading of receipts and expenses.

ARTICLE X.

DIVISION OF RECEIPTS.

Until the receipts exceed the expenditures, no Faculty Member shall receive any pay whatsoever, but if the receipts exceed all the expenses, at the end of a year, then a given sum not exceeding the amount which has been received as fees for lectures from the students, or any portions thereof, may be by a three-fourths vote of the Faculty be divided equally among the Professors.

ARTICLE XI.

DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES.

Section 1.—The Faculty may grant Diplomas of Associate Membership to persons who are regular graduates from recognized regular Medical Colleges, for the attendance of a full course and certificates of attendance of one or more special branches, and certificates to persons not graduates of regular medical schools, in which such facts shall be stated.

Section 2-The Diplomas of admission to Associate Member-

ship shall be upon parchment, shall be signed by the officers and all the Faculty members, and shall be of the following form:

COLLEGE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

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April 1882.

Know all men by these present, that the Faculty of the College for Medical Practitioners of the city of St. Louis, State of Missouri and the United States of America, have deliberately examined (name) of (place) State of (name) at his own request in all the branches of Medicine taught in this Institution. We therefore admit him as an Associate Member of the College for Medical Practitioners, and wherein obediance of, we have caused to be affixed our signatures and seal:

All this done on this——day of———in the year of our Lord 188 .

Officers.

[seal]

Faculty.

Section 3.—The certificates will be upon paper and signed by the Officers of the College, and the special Professor or Professors, and shall be of the following form:

COLLEGE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

St. Louis Mo:.....188

INCORPORATED. e April 1882.

This is to certify that (name) has attended a Special Course, on the following (name of the branch) in the above Institution during the session of 188.

Officers.

[seal]

Profs. name.

SECTION 4.—Certificates of Honorary Membership shall be upon paper and shall be signed by the officers of all Faculty members and in the following form:

HONORARY CERTIFICATE OF THE COLLEGE FOR MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS.

Officers.

[seal]

Faculty Members.

ARTICLE XII.

MOTIONS AND TIME OF MEETING.

SECTION 1.—All motions or propositions in Faculty meetings, must be submitted in writing, signed by the mover, handed to the Secretary, who shall then read the same except the motion

To adjourn.

To lay on the table.

To postpone.

To suggest a nomination.

To vote, and be entered upon the minutes in full, and no person shall address the Faculty until recognized by the chair.

Members shall be held on every third Wednesday of each month, and shall begin at 5 o'clock P. M.

SECTION 3.—In the absence of the Dean and Secretary such offices may be filled *protem*. The Dean may call upon any member to preside while present.

ARTICLE, XIII.

Section 1.—Any member of the Faculty or Honorary Member or Associate Member who shall divulge anything that occurred at any Faculty Meeting or concerning the admission of members, or trials in the Faculty shall be suspended not less than six months and may be expelled, unless an entry be made upon the minutes removing secrecy by a majority vote.

ARTICLE XIV.

Section 1.—No property shall be acquired except by order of the Faculty, entered upon its minutes, nor shall any property be disposed of except by a vote of the Faculty entered upon its minutes, and the officers shall carry into effect and execute such orders and directions, and do all things necessary to make the same effectual and valid.

ARTICLE XV.

SECTION I.—By a three-fourths vote, the Faculty may determine upon holding meetings for the promotion of medical or other science, with a limited or a public attendance, and in case of public emergencies may call special meetings to discuss scientific questions connected therewith.

ARTICLE XVI.

Section 1.—No suspension shall be less than two months or more than one year, unless herein otherwise provided.

Section 2.—A repremand shall be administered before the Faculty, or in the lecture or dissecting rooms, or in the clinics at the will of the Faculty.

ARTICLE XVII.

Section 1. Wherever any charges and specifications shall be submitted in writing signed by not less than two Members of the Faculty, against any member of this College, and delivered to the Dean, or in his absence or incapacity to act, to the Secretary of the association, a special meeting shall be called—at which meeting the charges are to be filed, and the Secretary ordered to notify the accused in writing of their full contents, and that if the Secretary serve the accused with such papers three days before the next regular monthly meeting, that at such meeting the case shall proceed before the Faculty or at the request of the accused or upon a vote of the Faculty be refered to a court of honor of three members of the Faculty, one to be selected by the accused, one by the Faculty and the third by the then acting Dean, and who shall be present and asked upon their honor whether or not they are prejudiced in favor of or against the accused and if they answer in the negative, shall hear try and decide the case as such courts usually do, upon the charges presented and no

other, and shall state in their report to the Faculty whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty on each charge and specification separately, which report must be in writing signed on each point by a majority of the members. They must also return minutes of the evidence adduced, name of witnesses and a record of their proceedings with such report.

SECTION 2.—Whenever the members of the court have decided upon their report of such trial, they must forthwith sign the same, seal it and deliver the same to the Dean, or if he be disqualified, the Secretary, marked report of the Conrt of Honor of the College for Medical Practitioners and if the Dean, or in case of his incapacity, the Secretary receive such report more than fourteen days before a regular monthly meeting of the Faculty. he shall forthwith call a special meeting at which the same will be for the first time opened received and read. The first vote shall be upon approving the same, and if a majority vote for approval, the same shall stand approved and no member shall be excused from voting upon such report unless he declare himself to be prejudiced in the case, and all the prejudiced members votes shall be entered on the minutes as voting for affirming the report and so counted in announcing the vote, if a majority declare themselves prejudiced, this fact shall be entered upon the minutes and the presiding Dean shall thereupon declars the report adopted-and order the finding entered upon the minntes. Separate findings of the Court of Honor when a separate vote is called for shall be determined in the same manner. The Faculty shall then proceed to assess the punishment in the following order; 1 "expulsion," 2 "suspension," 3 "reprimand," and the voting shall be the same as on the charges or findings, that is members of the Faculty prejudiced shall be counted to vote for the punishment unless they now desire to vote otherwise. These votes must be entered on the minutes, with an order that the presiding officer execute the same, by the Secretary without further proceeding. If the accused be present, it shall be notice to him, if absent the acting Dean shall himself write out a copy and cause the Secretary to attest the same in duplicate and serve on the person found guilty, and if the punishment be less than expulsion, and the person punished do not appear at the next regular monthly meeting of the board and signify his submission to the same, such person shall without further proceedings, be considered expelled and the Dean shall cause such entry to be

made, provided, that if a monthly meeting be in session, a less time than one hour from its usual meeting time, such person may appear at the next meeting to submit.

Section 3.—Any member of the Faculty absenting himself without good cause, from any of the meetings at which trials or proceedings connected therewith shall take place, shall be suspended for one month and if the member be in the city of St. Louis at the time of such meeting, his excuse must be sent and received at such meeting, where its sufficiency must be determined before any other business is transacted and if found in the negative, by a majority present, the suspension shall follow without further proceedings. Provided that suspension will not relieve him from any duty pertaining to his office if the Faculty so deside.

Section 4.—The minutes of the society shall be conclusive in all matters relating to the filing of charges, appointing of court and findings upon the report and assessing of punishments and notices or notifications, and shall be binding upon all the members of the Faculty.

Section 5.—If a miss trial takes place or a new trial be granted by the Faculty, a new court may be appointed or the case tried by the Faculty at the election of the accused or the Falculty. No member of the Faculty who is prejudiced shall vote at any trial findings or assessment of punishment, but by virtue of these rules his vote shall be entered against the accused except as herein before provided on all issues or punishments, provided that if a majority of the Faculty be prejudiced the case must be tried by a court of honor, selected in the same manner from the board of associate or honorary members, who shall report in the same manner and which must be disposed of as heretofore stated and the assessments of punishment shall be the same.

Section 6.—No person can be expelled except for incompetency or insufficiency or immoral conduct in the College or concerning the same directly, unless he refuse or neglect to submit himself to a punishment as herein stated.

Section 7.—Any member of a court of honor who will divulge what passes between members, or the result of the findings of the court, to any person whomsoever, until after the same has been opened and read in the Faculty, shall be expelled from the association.

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